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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 14, 2005 and having a response due December 14, 2005. A petition for a two-month extension of time and the required fee are submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to February 14, 2006. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner required the applicant to elect one of two species for further prosecution. The applicant hereby elects the species of Group I which is directed to Fig. 1. Claims 1-5 read on the species of Group I. This election is made without traverse.

Favorable examination is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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